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- On 12 October 1950 it was learned that a unit had moved into the reconditioned settlement of about 25 2 and 4-family houses near the barracks installation of Millersleben. The troops quartered in the settlements and the barracks were estimated at 1,500. They wore red-bordered black epaulets, some with artillery insignia. Between 80 and 100 trucks were parked between the quarters. The

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- A four-mast radio station was south of the billeting area.
- A new road was being constructed 500 meters north of the road to Millersleben which branches off from the Wedringen-Neuenhofe highway. The new road runs immediately north of the Maldensleben-Millersleben railroad spur and leads to the Millersleben billeting area, almost parallel the existing road.

- On 12 October 1950 at 8 a.m. units were unloaded from two trains in Maldensleben and moved to Millersleben. Eight 76.2 or 85-mm AA guns and eight trucks

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[REDACTED] each truck carrying 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, were unloaded from the first train. Eight AT guns of 50 to 60 mm caliber and eight trucks,

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[REDACTED], each truck carrying 12 to 15 soldiers with artillery insignia, were unloaded from the second train.

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- On the same day at 5 p.m. a train of 10 boxcars with troops and flatcars with 18 tanks was observed at the Maldensleben railroad station, standing between two freight trains. The tank troops started unloading at 7 p.m. and later moved toward Born. **

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* [] Comment. The information and the [] indicate that elements of the 19th Gds Mecz Div were still in the Hillersleben billeting area, Letzling Heath, on 12 October 1950. It was reported that elements of this division started leaving the Letzling Heath maneuver area on 26 September 1950.

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[] Since these troops did not arrive at their Wunsdorf home station by 6 October 1950 it is believed that they participated in the final maneuvers of the Third Shock Army in early October 1950. See []

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** [] Comment. [] the two trains unloaded in Maldensleben carried elements of the 19th Gds Mecz Div. The tank shipment unloaded in the evening is also believed to have belonged to this division. [] reported that tank and AT artillery components of the 19th Gds Mecz Div were unloaded in Maldensleben on 11 and 12 October 1950. []

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It is believed that, upon completion of the fall maneuvers, at least some elements of this division returned to Letzling Heath from where they presumably returned to their home station during the second half of October 1950. A report from Wunsdorf stated that the first units of the 19th Gds Mecz Div were expected to return to the post on 20 October 1950. See []

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